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SONIC UNIVERSE™

PREVIOUSLY...

Sonic the Hedgehog and freedom-fighting strike force, Team Fighters, are closing in on the evil Dr. Eggman! After a whirlwind chase around the globe, Sonic has been put to the test, and our true blue hero stands ready to once again defeat the evil doctor and his world-conquering schemes.

But look out, Sonic! Dr. Eggman isn't finished yet!

Eggman's greatest creation, the sinister METAL SONIC, has returned to once again plague our heroes! Metal Sonic has delivered devastating blow after devastating blow to Sonic and the Freedom Fighters, going so far as to critically wound the Freedom Fighter Antoine D'Coolette! Several new teams of heroes have since risen to stand against Eggman and his Metal madness, including a clandestine group calling themselves the Secret Freedom Fighters.

After a humiliating loss to the Secret Freedom Fighter named Shard (a former Mecha Sonic himself), Dr. Eggman may have finally unlocked the key to making his Metal Sonic creation **not just a devastating tool for destruction – but an**

UNSTOPPABLE force of evil....

WHO'S WHO

METAL SONIC
SONIC'S EVIL ROBOT DOUBLE

DR. EGGMAN
EVIL GENIUS

SHARD
REFORMED MECHA SONIC & SECRET FREEDOM FIGHTER

NICOLE
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

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NEW MOBOTROPOLIS-- DAYS AGO.*
*STH #240
EVERYONE BACK! KEEP HEADING TO THE CENTER OF THE CITY!
WE CAN'T! ANY FURTHER AND WE'LL FALL DOWN THE PIT!**
THERE'S BADNIKS EVERYWHERE!
WHAT DO WE DO?!
I... I DON'T... WE'LL HOLD THEM AS LONG AS WE CAN!
**FORMER SITE OF CASTLE ACORN. (BABYLON RISING-SU #35)
FIRE AT WILL!
DON'T LET EGGMAN'S FORCES GET ANY CLOSER!
UH... NICE SHOT?

FORGED IN FIRE!

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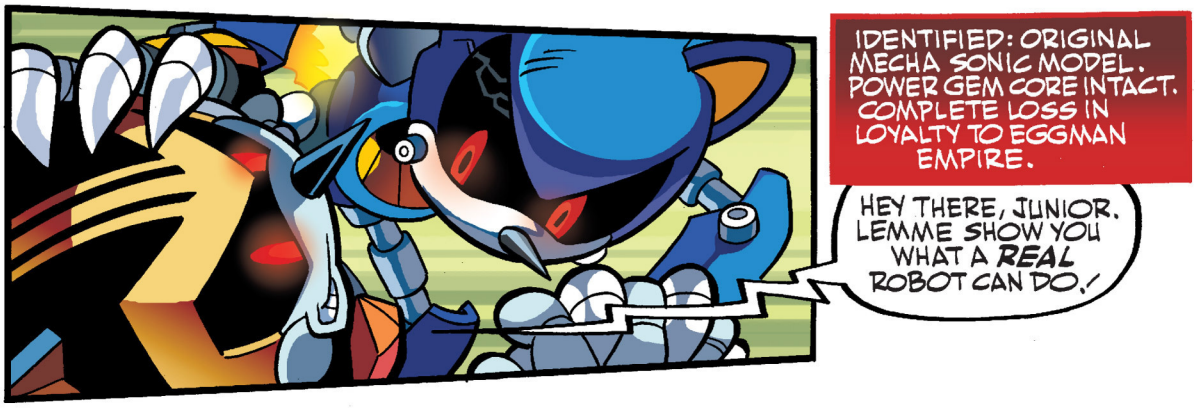
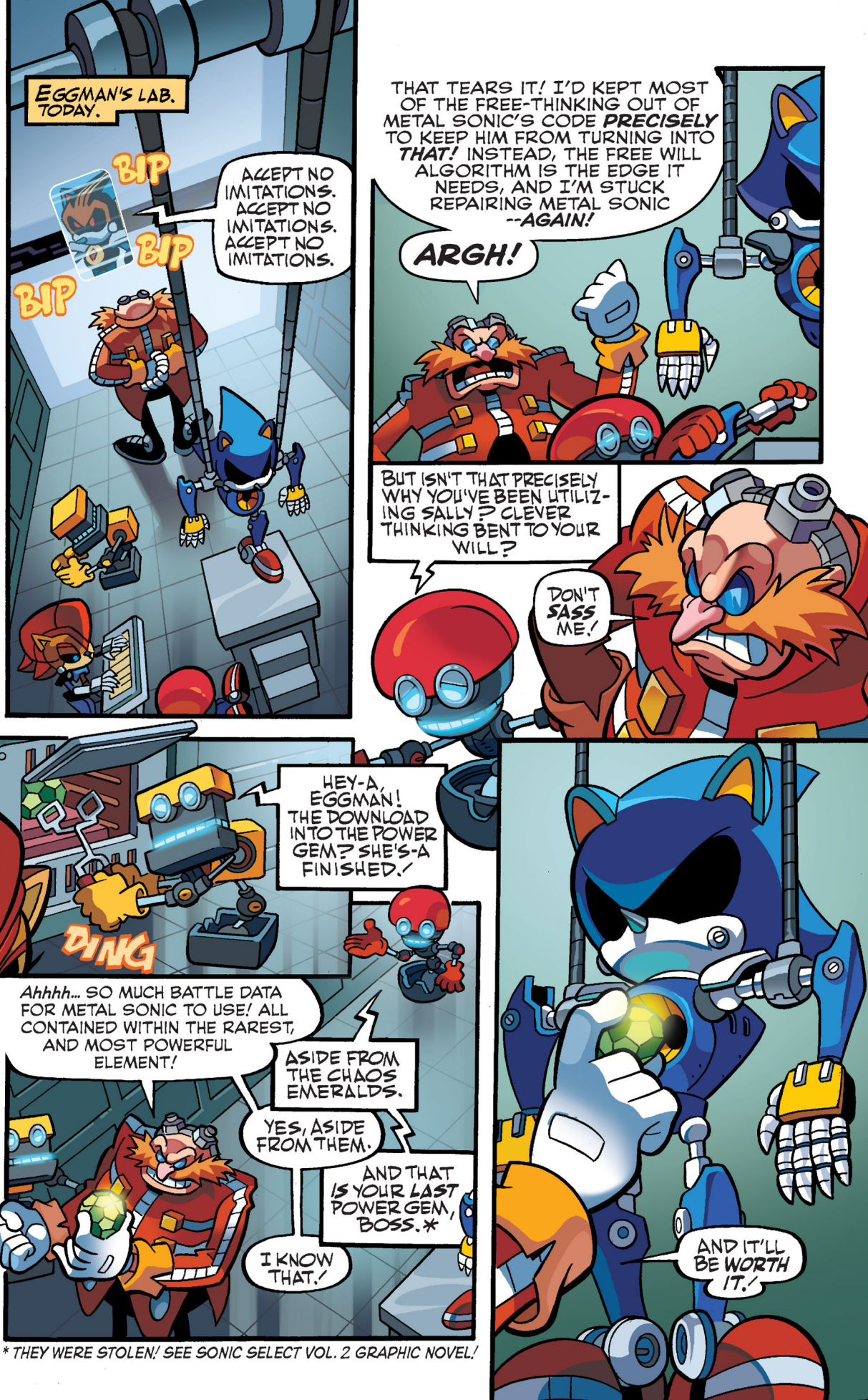
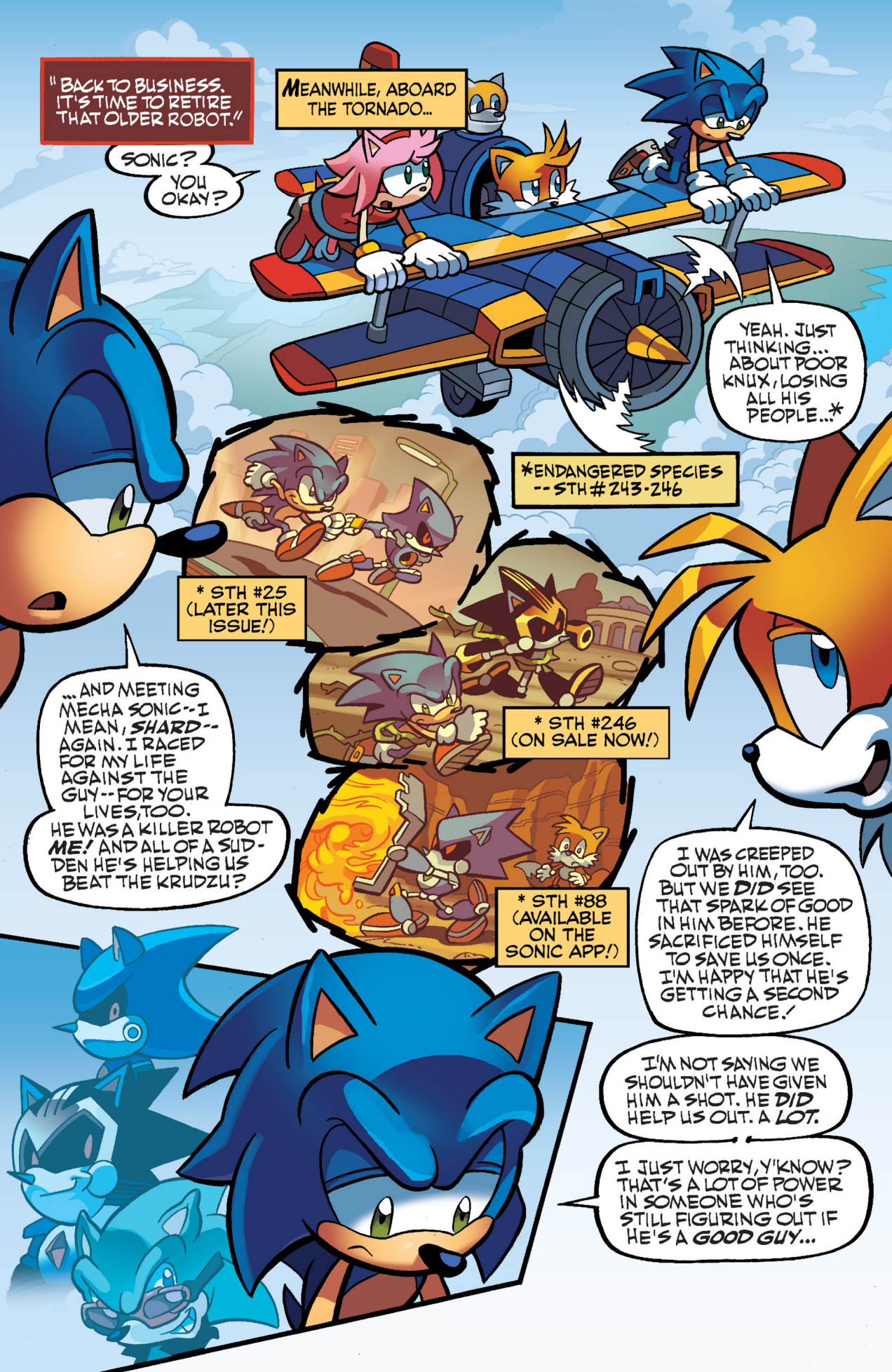

IDENTIFIED: ORIGINAL MECHA SONIC MODEL. POWER GEM CORE INTACT. COMPLETE LOSS IN LOYALTY TO EGGMAN EMPIRE.
HEY THERE, JUNIOR. LEMME SHOW YOU WHAT A REAL ROBOT CAN DO.

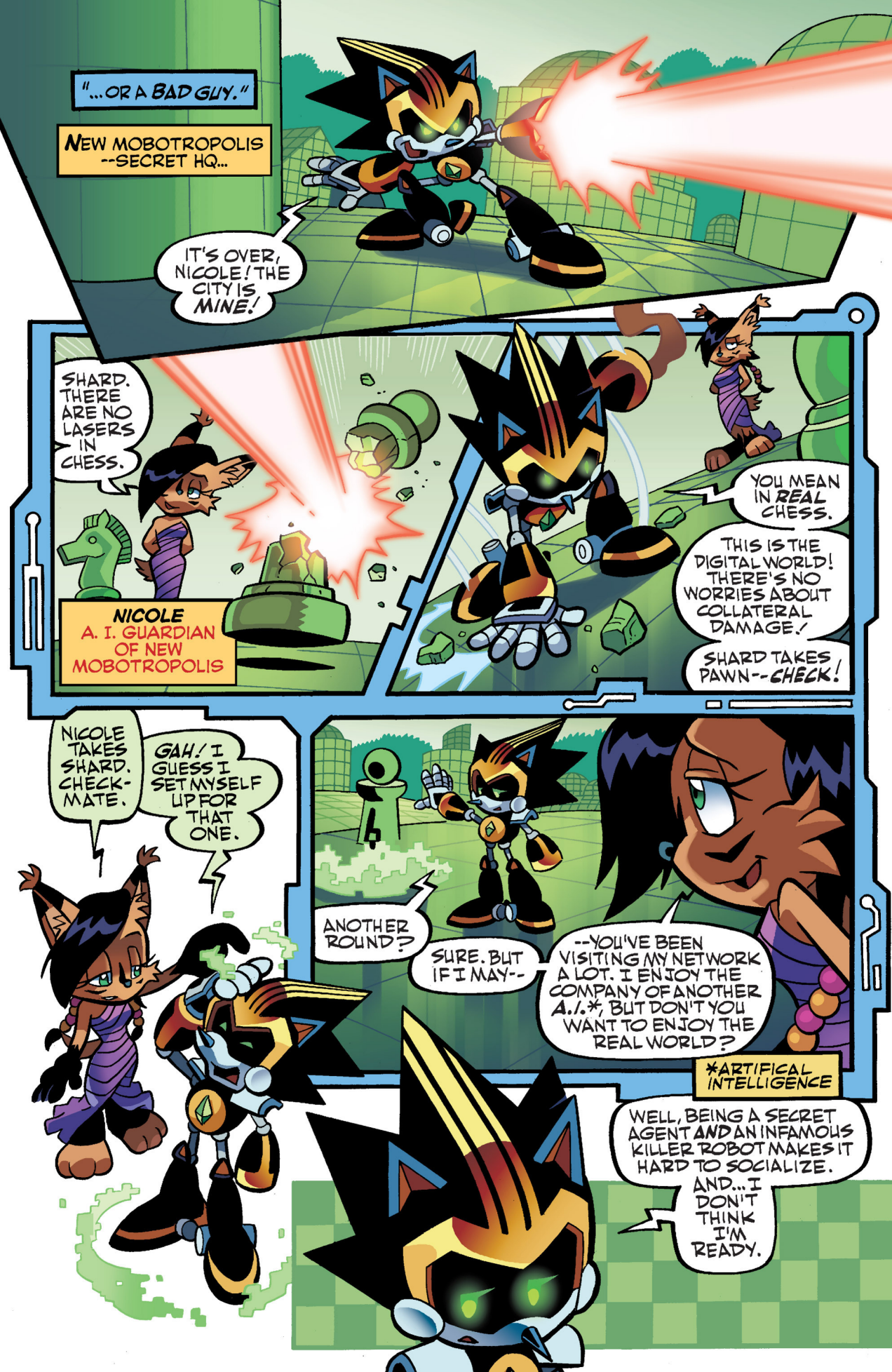
THE DOC JUST KEEPS SENDING YOU OUT, DOESN'T HE? YOU'RE THE-- WHAT? --SIXTH OR SEVENTH REPLACEMENT?
YOU'RE AN EMBARRASSMENT. OH, AND NEXT TIME YOU GET A LASER INSTALLED?
PUT IT ON AN APPENDAGE THAT CAN AIM!
YEAH. ACCEPT NO IMITATIONS.
BIP
STOP. REWIND FIVE SECONDS. PLAY.

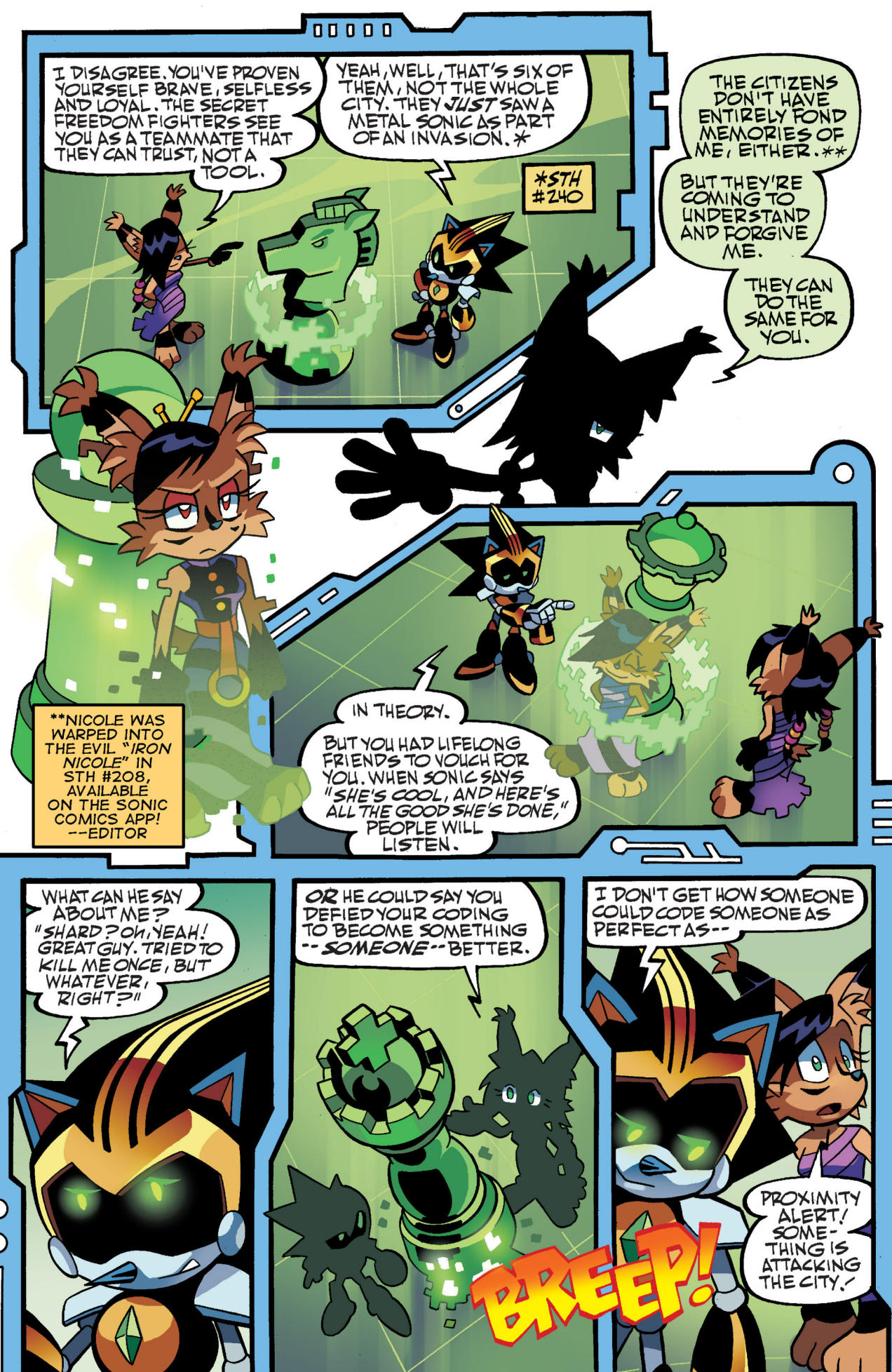

EGGMAN'S LAB. TODAY.
BIP
BIP
BIP
ACCEPT NO IMITATIONS. ACCEPT NO IMITATIONS. ACCEPT NO IMITATIONS.
THAT TEARS IT! I'D KEPT MOST OF THE FREE-THINKING OUT OF METAL SONIC'S CODE PRECISELY TO KEEP HIM FROM TURNING INTO THAT! INSTEAD, THE FREE WILL ALGORITHM IS THE EDGE IT NEEDS, AND I'M STUCK REPAIRING METAL SONIC --AGAIN!
ARGH!
BUT ISN'T THAT PRECISELY WHY YOU'VE BEEN UTILIZING SALLY? CLEVER THINKING BENT TO YOUR WILL?
DON'T SASS ME!
HEY-A, EGGMAN! THE DOWNLOAD INTO THE POWER GEM? SHE'S-A FINISHED.
DING
Ahhhh... SO MUCH BATTLE DATA FOR METAL SONIC TO USE! ALL CONTAINED WITHIN THE RAREST, AND MOST POWERFUL ELEMENT!
ASIDE FROM THE CHAOS EMERALDS.
YES, ASIDE FROM THEM.
AND THAT IS YOUR LAST POWER GEM, BOSS.*
I KNOW THAT.
AND IT'LL BE WORTH IT.

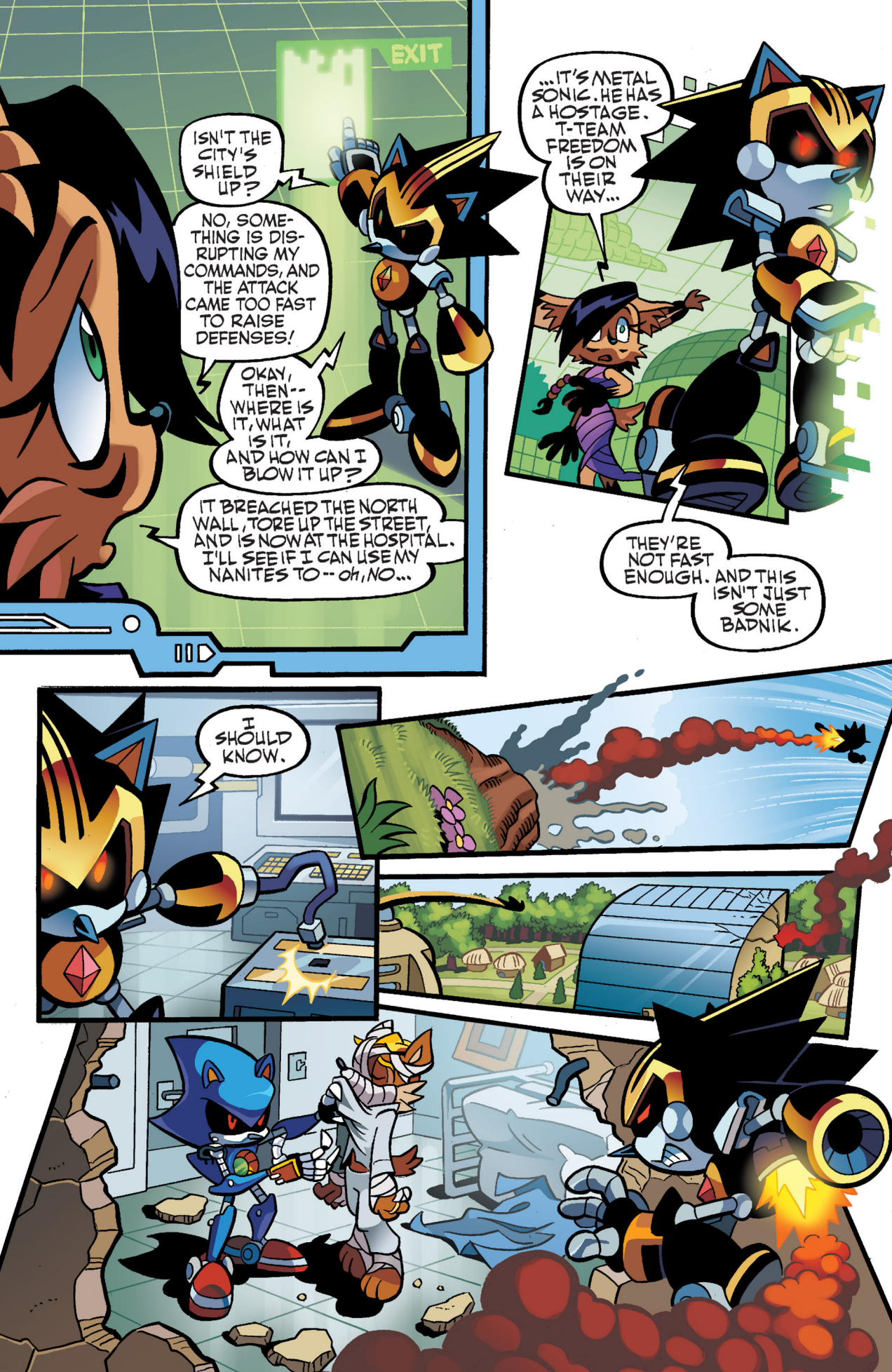
* THEY WERE STOLEN! SEE SONIC SELECT VOL. 2 GRAPHIC NOVEL!

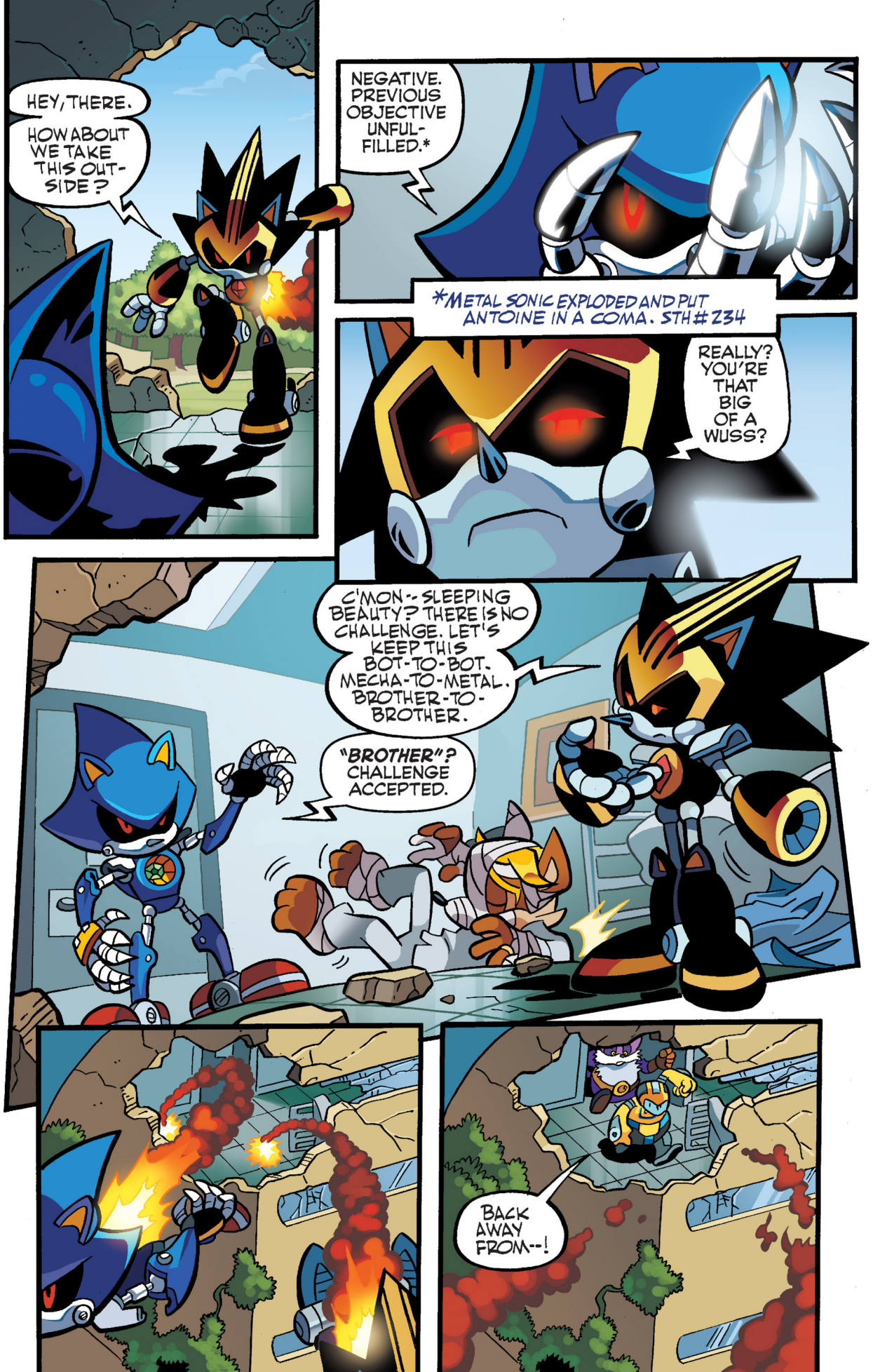
METAL SONIC VERSION 3.7 ONLINE. APPLYING HISTORICAL DATA. WEAPONS SYSTEMS ONLINE.
AND WITH A WONDER-FULLY MENACING SPECIAL NEW VOICE CODEC INSTALLED! THAT "SILENT KILLER" SHTICK WAS GETTING OLD!
REGISTERING MULTIPLE DEFEATS. NOT ACCEPTIBLE.
ALL PART OF THE SCIENTIFIC PROCESS. NOW YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE. AND WITH THAT NEW CORE, YOU HAVE THE POWER AND THE FREE WILL TO USE IT TO ITS FULL POTENTIAL!
DESTROY SONIC!
NO, I HAVE ANOTHER ERRAND FOR YOU FIRST. THIS ROGUE ROBOT.
THIS IS NOT SONIC! NOT MY TARGET! I--!
*!
TARGET ACKNOW-LEDGED.
Ahhh... A SOFT-REBOOT DEFIANCE KILL-SWITCH. IF ONLY I'D IN-STALLED THAT IN YOUR PREDECESSOR. OR GAMMA. OR OMEGA.
IF ONLY IT COULD BE INSTALLED IN SNIVELY.


"BACK TO BUSINESS. IT'S TIME TO RETIRE THAT OLDER ROBOT."
SONIC? YOU OKAY?
MEANWHILE, ABOARD THE TORNADO...
YEAH. JUST THINKING... ABOUT POOR KNUX, LOSING ALL HIS PEOPLE...*
*ENDANGERED SPECIES -- STH #243-246
* STH #25 (LATER THIS ISSUE!)
* STH #246 (ON SALE NOW!)
* STH #88 (AVAILABLE ON THE SONIC APP!)
...AND MEETING MECHA SONIC--I MEAN, SHARD--AGAIN. I RACED FOR MY LIFE AGAINST THE GUY--FOR YOUR LIVES, TOO. HE WAS A KILLER ROBOT ME! AND ALL OF A SUDDEN HE'S HELPING US BEAT THE KRUDZU?
I WAS CREEPED OUT BY HIM, TOO. BUT WE DID SEE THAT SPARK OF GOOD IN HIM BEFORE. HE SACRIFICED HIMSELF TO SAVE US ONCE. I'M HAPPY THAT HE'S GETTING A SECOND CHANCE.
I'M NOT SAYING WE SHOULDN'T HAVE GIVEN HIM A SHOT. HE DID HELP US OUT. A LOT.
I JUST WORRY, Y'KNOW? THAT'S A LOT OF POWER IN SOMEONE WHO'S STILL FIGURING OUT IF HE'S A GOOD GUY...


"...OR A BAD GUY."
NEW MOBOTROPOLIS --SECRET HQ...
IT'S OVER, NICOLE! THE CITY IS MINE!
SHARD. THERE ARE NO LASERS IN CHESS.
NICOLE A. I. GUARDIAN OF NEW MOBOTROPOLIS
YOU MEAN IN REAL CHESS.
THIS IS THE DIGITAL WORLD! THERE'S NO WORRIES ABOUT COLLATERAL DAMAGE.
SHARD TAKES PAWN--CHECK!
NICOLE TAKES SHARD. CHECK-MATE.
GAH! I GUESS I SET MYSELF UP FOR THAT ONE.
ANOTHER ROUND?
SURE. BUT IF I MAY--
--YOU'VE BEEN VISITING MY NETWORK A LOT. I ENJOY THE COMPANY OF ANOTHER A.I.*, BUT DON'T YOU WANT TO ENJOY THE REAL WORLD?
*ARTIFICAL INTELLIGENCE
WELL, BEING A SECRET AGENT AND AN INFAMOUS KILLER ROBOT MAKES IT HARD TO SOCIALIZE. AND... I DON'T THINK I'M READY.


I DISAGREE. YOU'VE PROVEN YOURSELF BRAVE, SELFLESS AND LOYAL. THE SECRET FREEDOM FIGHTERS SEE YOU AS A TEAMMATE THAT THEY CAN TRUST, NOT A TOOL.
YEAH, WELL, THAT'S SIX OF THEM, NOT THE WHOLE CITY. THEY JUST SAW A METAL SONIC AS PART OF AN INVASION.*
*STH #240
THE CITIZENS DON'T HAVE ENTIRELY FOND MEMORIES OF ME, EITHER.**
BUT THEY'RE COMING TO UNDERSTAND AND FORGIVE ME.
THEY CAN DO THE SAME FOR YOU.
**NICOLE WAS WARPED INTO THE EVIL "IRON NICOLE" IN STH #208, AVAILABLE ON THE SONIC COMICS APP! --EDITOR
IN THEORY.
BUT YOU HAD LIFELONG FRIENDS TO VOUCH FOR YOU. WHEN SONIC SAYS "SHE'S COOL, AND HERE'S ALL THE GOOD SHE'S DONE," PEOPLE WILL LISTEN.
WHAT CAN HE SAY ABOUT ME? "SHARD? OH, YEAH! GREAT GUY. TRIED TO KILL ME ONCE, BUT WHATEVER, RIGHT?"
OR HE COULD SAY YOU DEFIED YOUR CODING TO BECOME SOMETHING --SOMEONE-- BETTER.
I DON'T GET HOW SOMEONE COULD CODE SOMEONE AS PERFECT AS--
BREEP!
PROXIMITY ALERT! SOMETHING IS ATTACKING THE CITY.


EXIT
ISN'T THE CITY'S SHIELD UP?
NO, SOMETHING IS DISRUPTING MY COMMANDS, AND THE ATTACK CAME TOO FAST TO RAISE DEFENSES!
OKAY, THEN-- WHERE IS IT, WHAT IS IT, AND HOW CAN I BLOW IT UP?
IT BREACHED THE NORTH WALL, TORE UP THE STREET, AND IS NOW AT THE HOSPITAL. I'LL SEE IF I CAN USE MY NANITES TO-- OH, NO...
...IT'S METAL SONIC. HE HAS A HOSTAGE. T-TEAM FREEDOM IS ON THEIR WAY...
THEY'RE NOT FAST ENOUGH. AND THIS ISN'T JUST SOME BADNIK.
I SHOULD KNOW.


HEY, THERE.
HOW ABOUT WE TAKE THIS OUTSIDE?
NEGATIVE. PREVIOUS OBJECTIVE UNFULFILLED.*
*METAL SONIC EXPLODED AND PUT ANTOINE IN A COMA. STH#234
REALLY? YOU'RE THAT BIG OF A WUSS?
C'MON-- SLEEPING BEAUTY? THERE IS NO CHALLENGE. LET'S KEEP THIS BOT-TO-BOT. MECHA-TO-METAL. BROTHER-TO-BROTHER.
"BROTHER"? CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.
BACK AWAY FROM--!

"...WHERE DID IT GO?"
THE GREAT WASTES (FORMERLY KNOTHOLE VILLAGE)
HERE?
CORRECT. SITE IS PROOF OF ROBOTIC SUPERIORITY.*
*SONIC ARCHIVES VOL. 10 & SONIC SELECT VOL. 2.
UH-HUH. IF ORGANICS ARE SO "INFERIOR," WHY DO WE ASPIRE TO BE MORE LIKE THEM? AND DON'T DENY IT--YOU'VE GOT MORE OF A SPARK TO YOU THAN THE LAST TIME.
I WAS UPGRADED.
PERFECTED.
"PERFECT" NOTHIN'! THEY FEAR US. I'M WORKING TO TURN THAT AROUND. AND YOU SMASHING UP HOSPITALS ISN'T HELPING, "BRO."
IRRELEVANT, "BROTHER."

CLANG

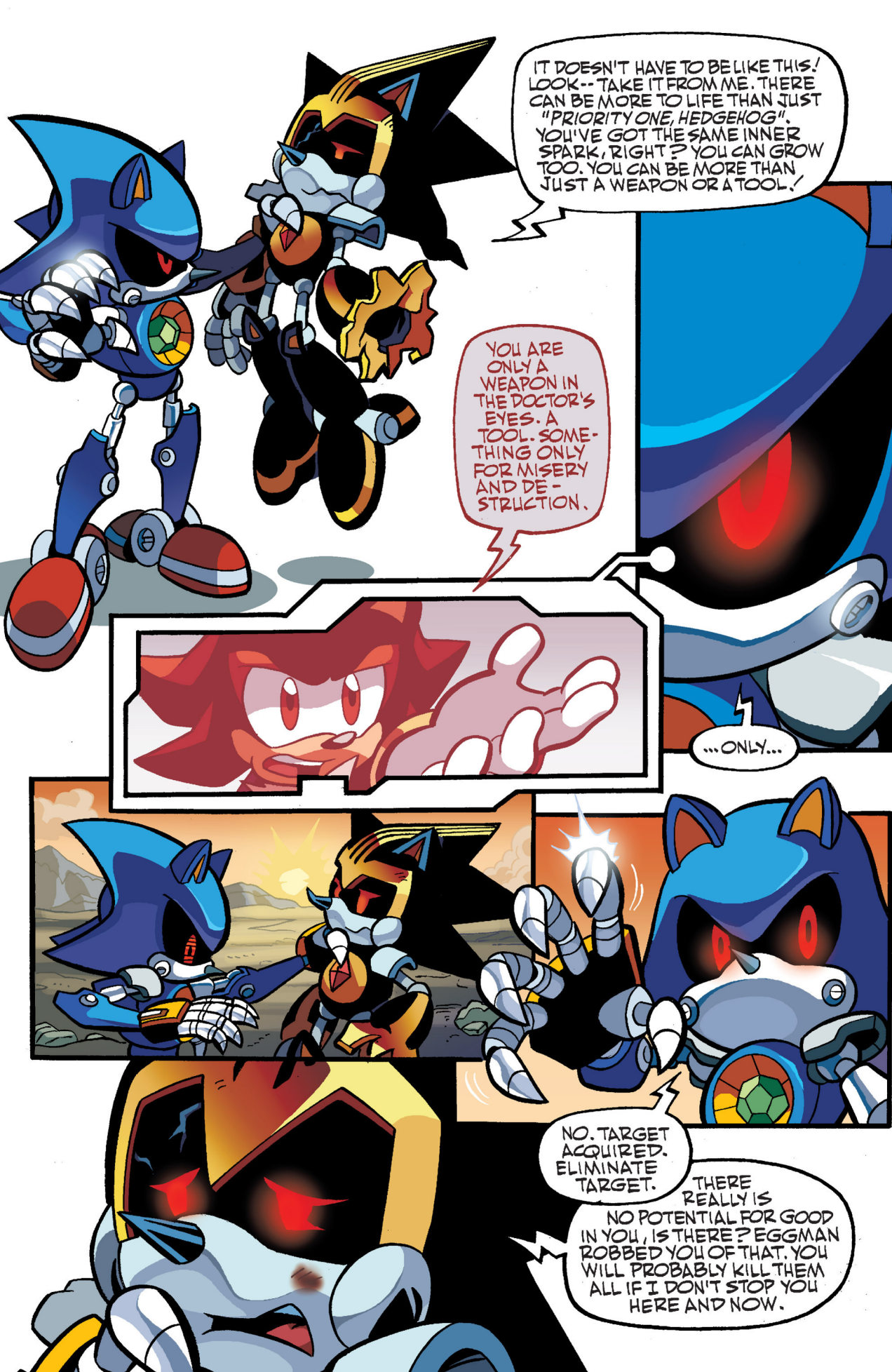
ZZART

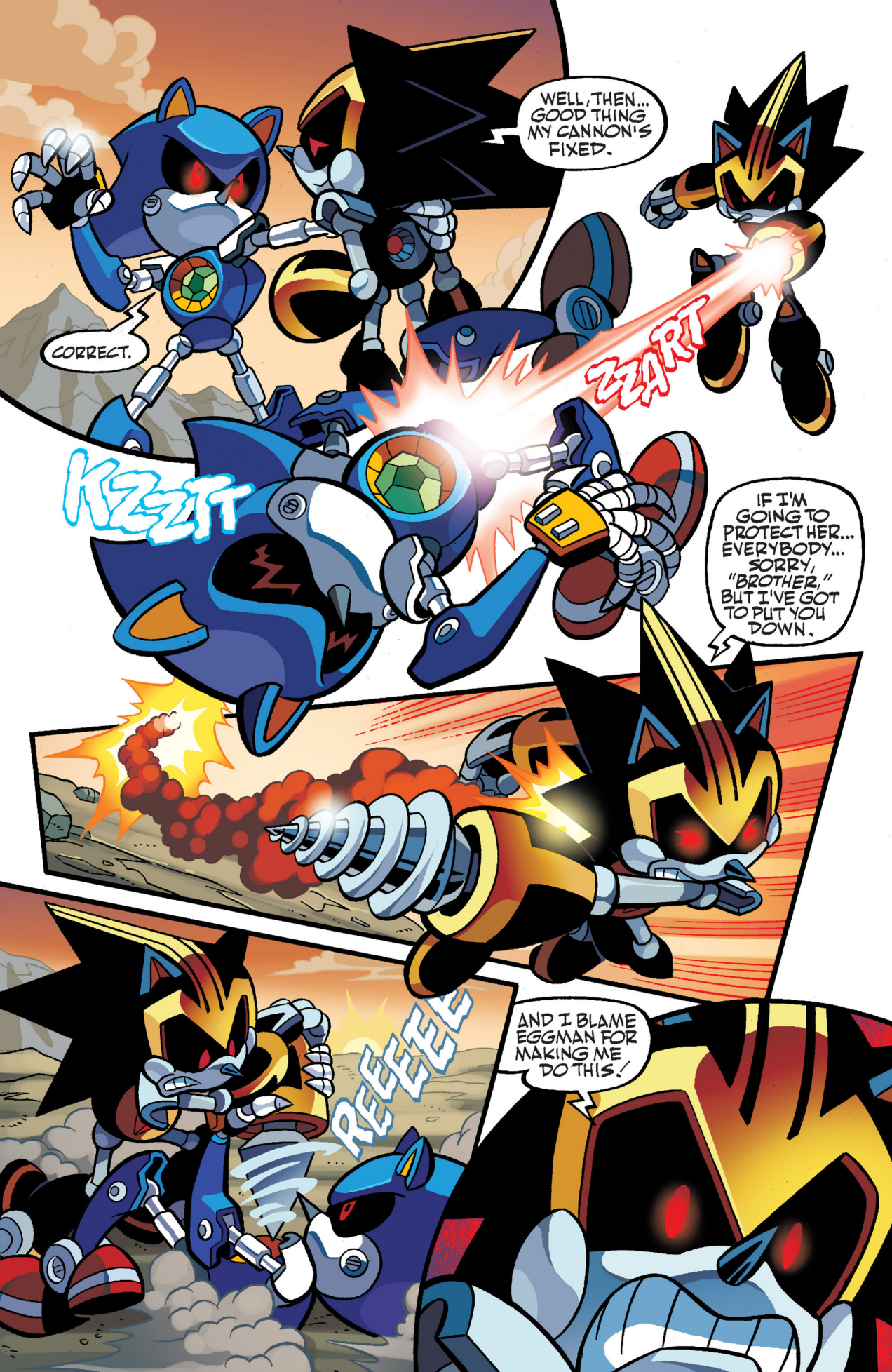
KZZTT

NOT BAD! BUT I'VE STILL GOT THE SUPERIOR ARMAMENTS, BUDDY.
BATTLE RECORD PLAYBACK --REFERENCING
STRATEGY DETERMINED
ARGH!

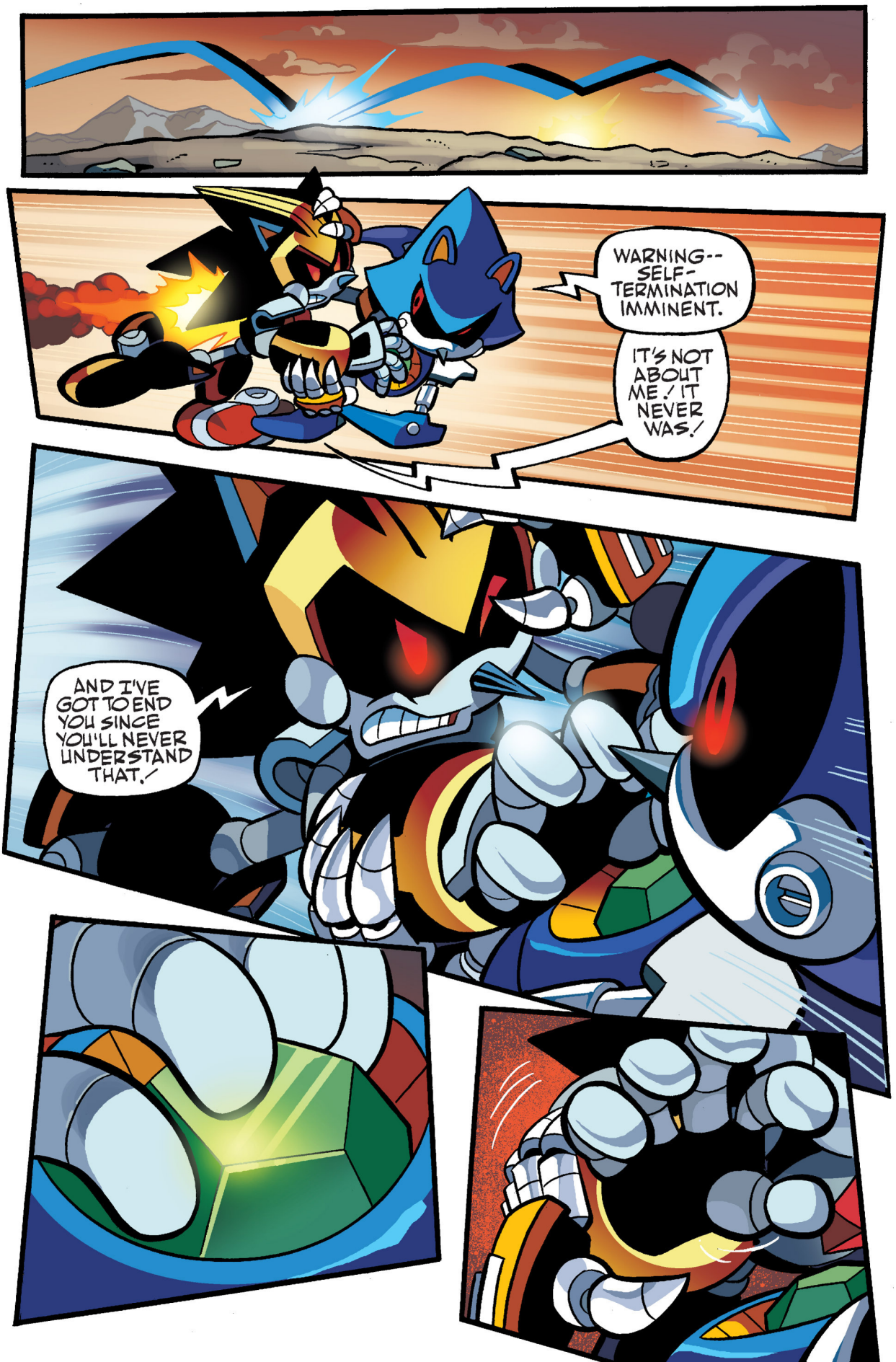
FINE! WE'LL DO THIS OLD SCHOOL STYLE!
BATTLE RECORD PLAYBACK --REFERENCING
STRATEGY DETERMINED
SKYOW
THUD
BLAM

TERMINATE TARGET. THEN CITY AND ALL IN IT.
NNNNNN RR ARGH!
BATTLE RECORD PLAYBACK --REFERENCING
STRATEGY DETERMINED
ZZARTT
YOU ARE GOOD.
I AM BETTER.
SUPERIOR.

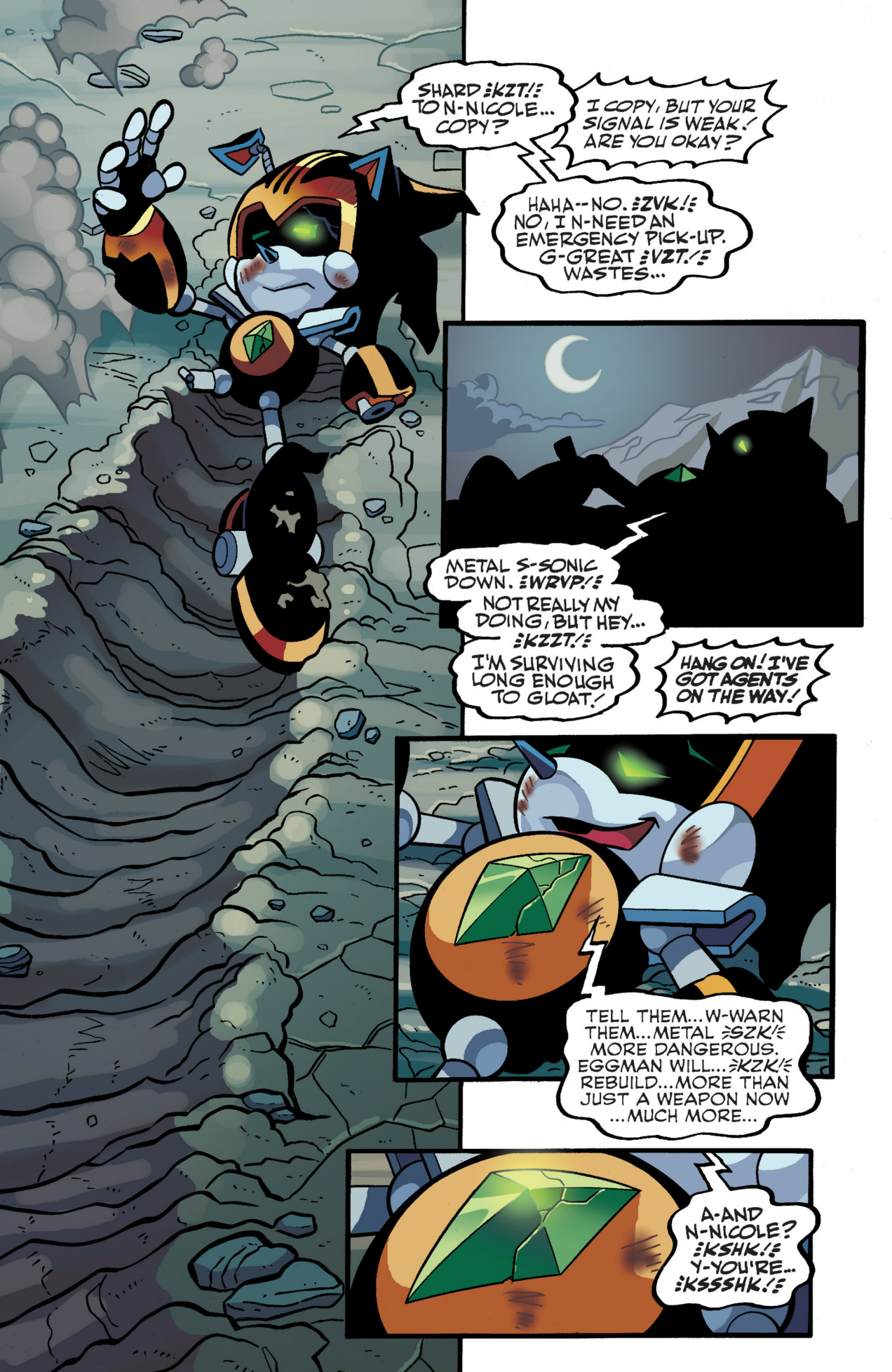

IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE LIKE THIS! LOOK--TAKE IT FROM ME. THERE CAN BE MORE TO LIFE THAN JUST "PRIORITY ONE, HEDGEHOG". YOU'VE GOT THE SAME INNER SPARK, RIGHT? YOU CAN GROW TOO. YOU CAN BE MORE THAN JUST A WEAPON OR A TOOL.!
YOU ARE ONLY A WEAPON IN THE DOCTOR'S EYES. A TOOL. SOMETHING ONLY FOR MISERY AND DESTRUCTION.
...ONLY...
NO. TARGET ACQUIRED. ELIMINATE TARGET.
THERE REALLY IS NO POTENTIAL FOR GOOD IN YOU, IS THERE? EGGMAN ROBBED YOU OF THAT. YOU WILL PROBABLY KILL THEM ALL IF I DON'T STOP YOU HERE AND NOW.

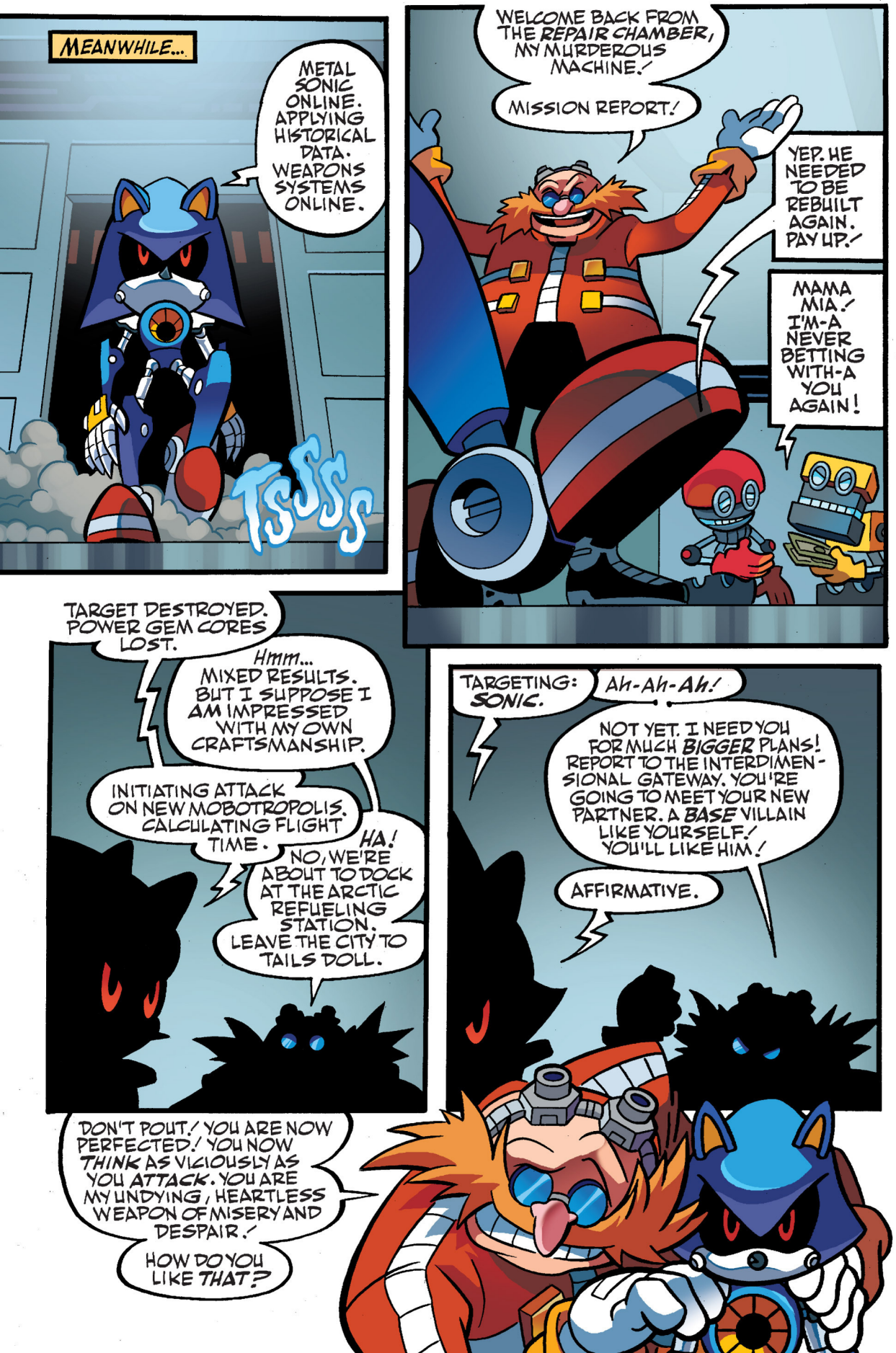

WELL, THEN... GOOD THING MY CANNON'S FIXED.
CORRECT.
KZZT
ZZART
IF I'M GOING TO PROTECT HER... EVERYBODY... SORRY, "BROTHER," BUT I'VE GOT TO PUT YOU DOWN.
REEEE
AND I BLAME EGGMAN FOR MAKING ME DO THIS!

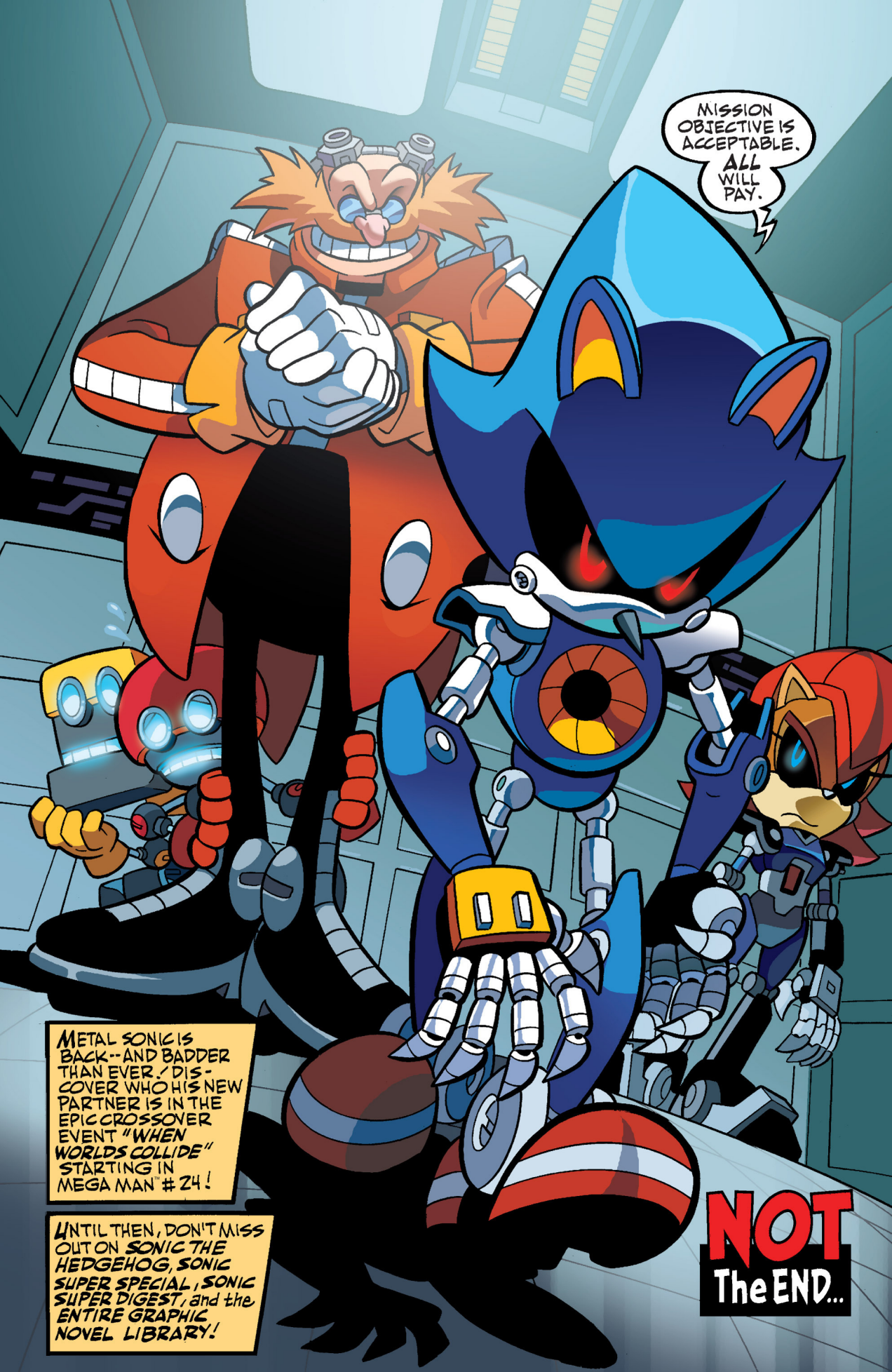
ADAPTIVE ARM-- PROBLEM-ATIC.
BURST SHIELD ACTIVATED.
ARGH!
ADVANTAGE REMOVED.
IF I GOTTA GO...
...WE GO TOGETHER!


WARNING-- SELF-TERMINATION IMMINENT.
IT'S NOT ABOUT ME./ IT NEVER WAS./
AND I'VE GOT TO END YOU SINCE YOU'LL NEVER UNDERSTAND THAT./

KRASH
ALL OF TARGET DATA STORED IN POWER GEM CORE...
WEAKNESS DETECTED. ELIMINATING.
KA-BOOM


SHARD :KZT!: TO N-NICOLE... COPY?
I COPY, BUT YOUR SIGNAL IS WEAK! ARE YOU OKAY?
HAHA--NO. :ZVK!: NO, I N-NEED AN EMERGENCY PICK-UP. G-GREAT :VZT.!: WASTES...
METAL S-SONIC DOWN. :WRVP.!:
NOT REALLY MY DOING, BUT HEY... :KZZT.!:
I'M SURVIVING LONG ENOUGH TO GLOAT.!
HANG ON! I'VE GOT AGENTS ON THE WAY!
TELL THEM... W-WARN THEM... METAL :SZK!: MORE DANGEROUS. EGGMAN WILL... :KZK!: REBUILD... MORE THAN JUST A WEAPON NOW ...MUCH MORE...
A-AND N-NICOLE? :KSHK.!: Y-YOU'RE... :KSSSHK.!:


MEANWHILE...
METAL SONIC ONLINE. APPLYING HISTORICAL DATA. WEAPONS SYSTEMS ONLINE.
TSSSS
WELCOME BACK FROM THE REPAIR CHAMBER, MY MURDEROUS MACHINE./
MISSION REPORT!
YEP. HE NEEDED TO BE REBUILT AGAIN. PAY UP./
MAMA MIA./ I'M-A NEVER BETTING WITH-A YOU AGAIN!
TARGET DESTROYED. POWER GEM CORES LOST.
Hmm... MIXED RESULTS. BUT I SUPPOSE I AM IMPRESSED WITH MY OWN CRAFTSMANSHIP.
INITIATING ATTACK ON NEW MOBOTROPOLIS. CALCULATING FLIGHT TIME.
HA! NO, WE'RE ABOUT TO DOCK AT THE ARCTIC REFUELING STATION. LEAVE THE CITY TO TAILS DOLL.
TARGETING: SONIC.
Ah-Ah-Ah!
NOT YET. I NEED YOU FOR MUCH BIGGER PLANS! REPORT TO THE INTERDIMENSIONAL GATEWAY. YOU'RE GOING TO MEET YOUR NEW PARTNER. A BASE VILLAIN LIKE YOURSELF./ YOU'LL LIKE HIM!
AFFIRMATIVE.
DON'T POUT./ YOU ARE NOW PERFECTED./ YOU NOW THINK AS VICIOUSLY AS YOU ATTACK. YOU ARE MY UNDYING, HEARTLESS WEAPON OF MISERY AND DESPAIR./
HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT?


MISSION OBJECTIVE IS ACCEPTABLE. ALL WILL PAY.
METAL SONIC IS BACK--AND BADDER THAN EVER! DISCOVER WHO HIS NEW PARTNER IS IN THE EPIC CROSSOVER EVENT "WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE" STARTING IN MEGA MAN #24!
UNTIL THEN, DON'T MISS OUT ON SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC SUPER SPECIAL, SONIC SUPER DIGEST, and the ENTIRE GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY!
NOT The END...

SPECIAL BONUS COMIC PRESENTATION

SELECTIONS FROM

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

ISSUE 25

FEATURING THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF MECHA SONIC!

PREVIOUSLY...

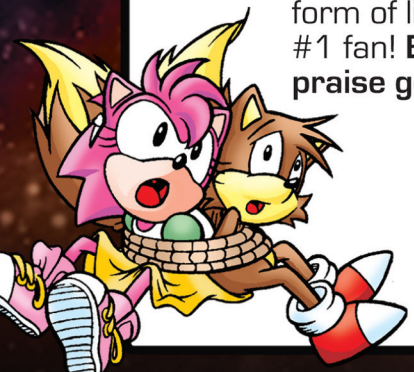
Sonic and the Freedom Fighters have fought the evil of Dr. Ivo "Eggman" Robotnik since they were little kids – but the face of evil is changing.

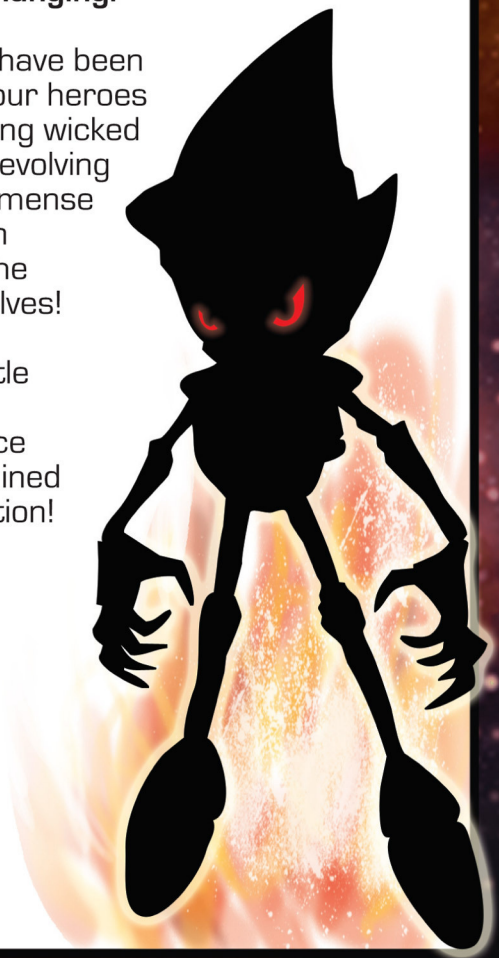
All-new threats have been popping up for our heroes to battle, including wicked alien life forms, evolving creatures of immense power, and even the inner demons of the Freedom Fighters themselves!

On the up side, constant battle has also made the Freedom Fighters a more efficient force for good on the planet, and has gained them some well-deserved recognition!

Recognition most notably in the form of little Amy Rose, Sonic's #1 fan! **But don't let that fan-praise go to your head, Sonic,**

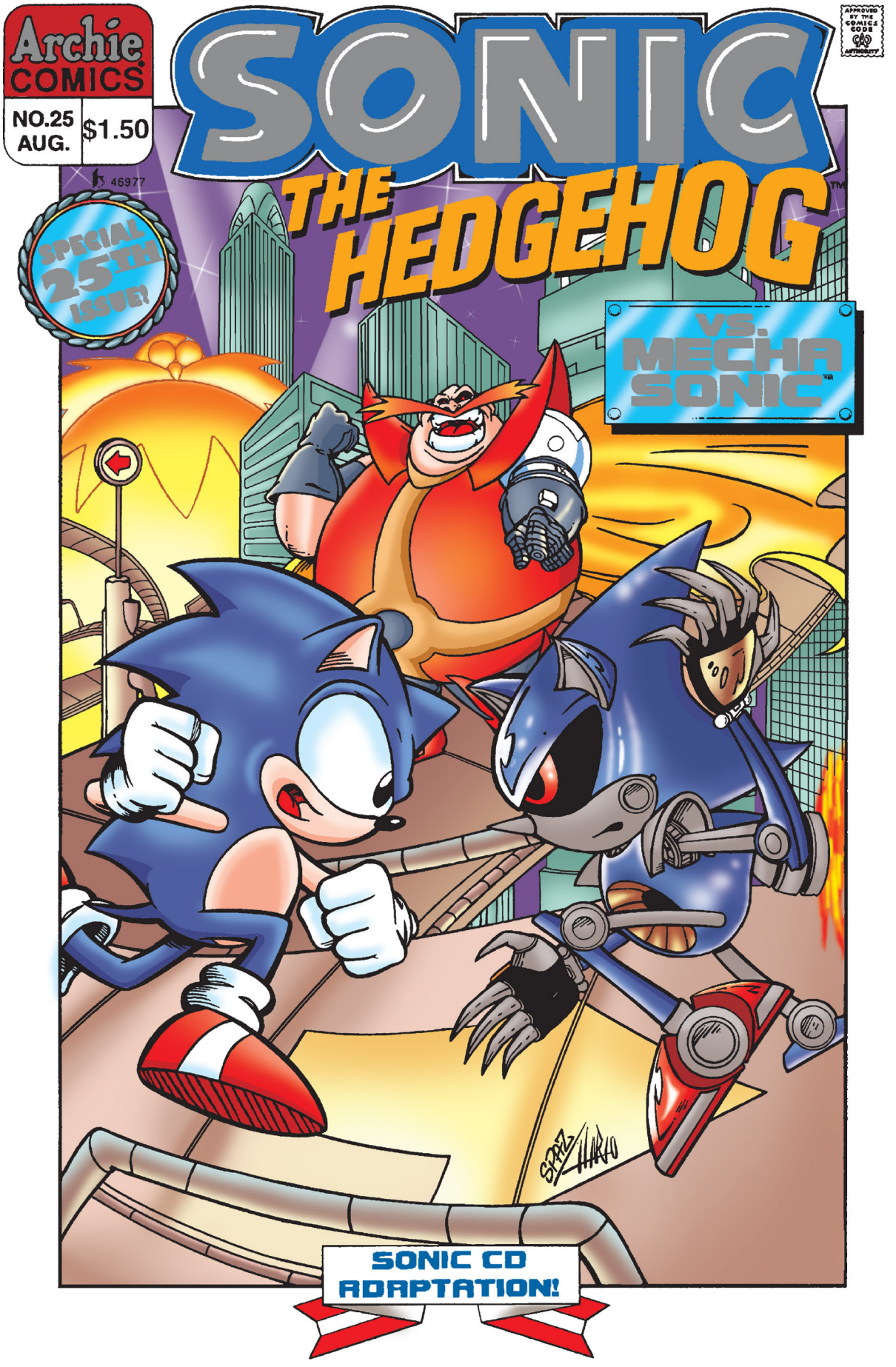
because you might just be about to meet your match...





DID YOU KNOW...

This story features one of the very first Sonic comics pencilled by Sonic art legend Patrick "Spaz" Spaziante! Spaz's debut in STH#21 was so huge, that Patrick went on to pencil both STH#22's cover and interiors, followed shortly by the monumental STH#25! Spaz now illustrates every single Sonic the Hedgehog commemorative issue cover!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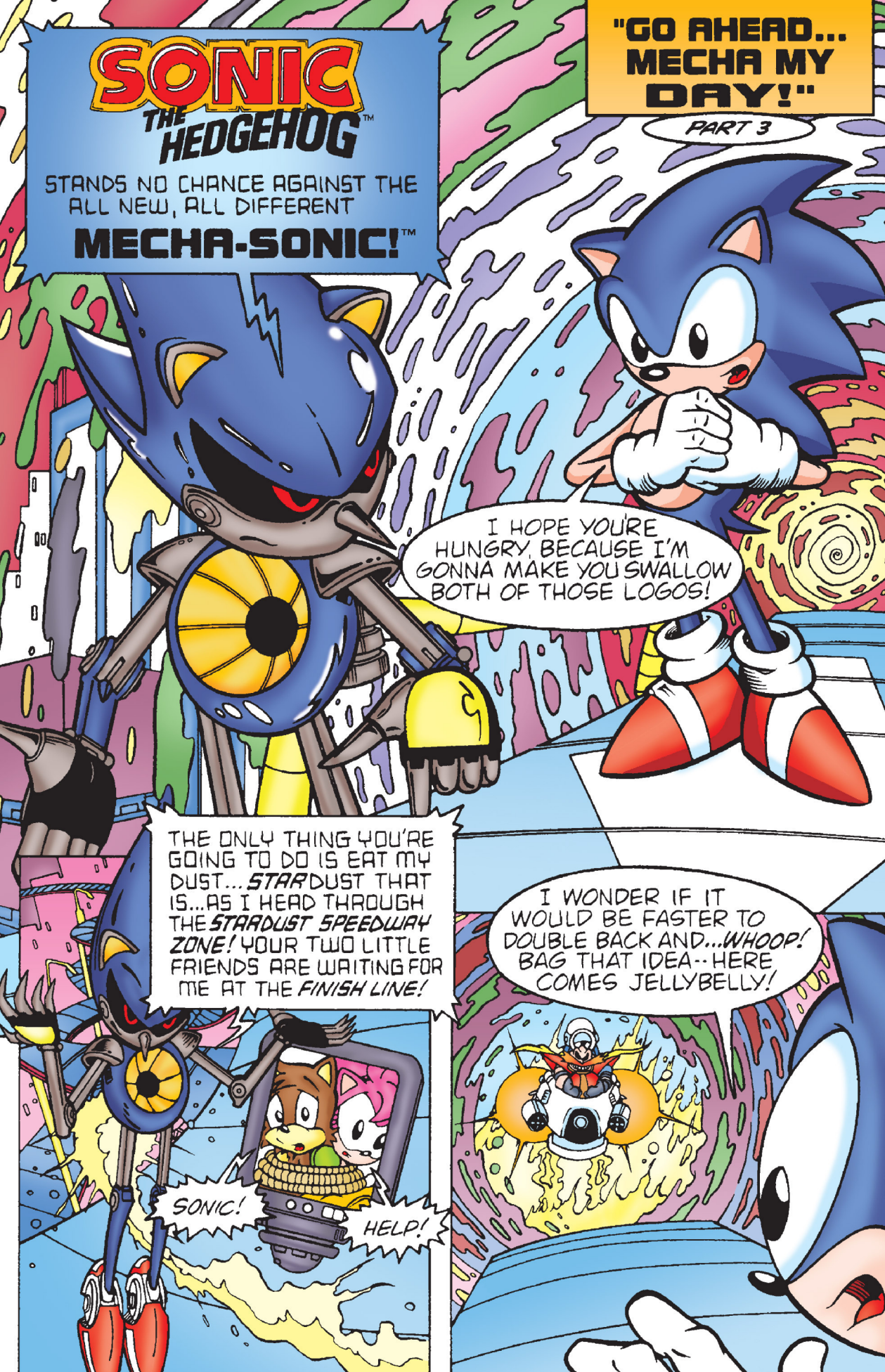
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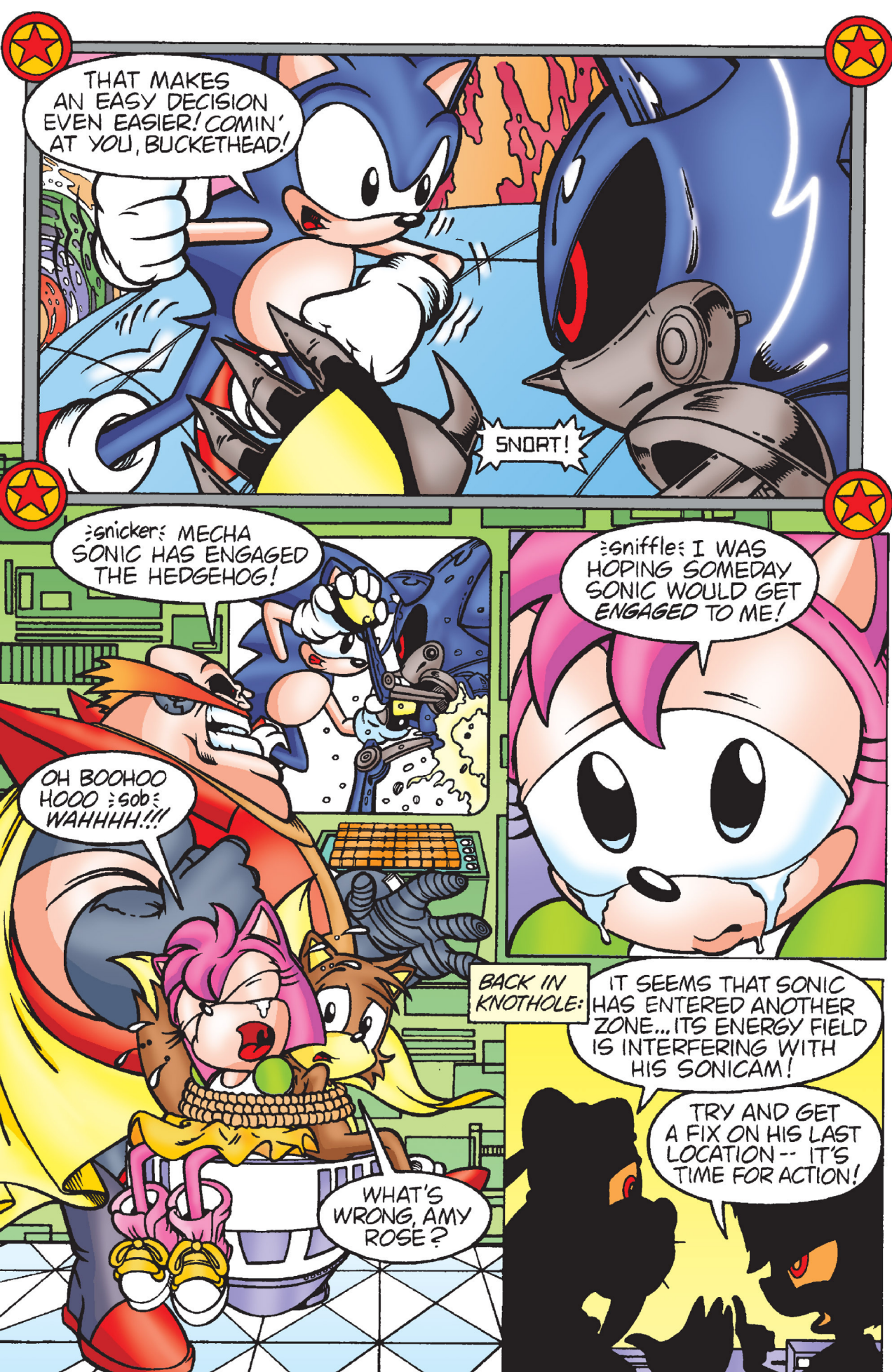
STANDS NO CHANCE AGAINST THE ALL NEW, ALL DIFFERENT
MECHA-SONIC!™
"GO AHEAD... MECHA MY DAY!"
PART 3
I HOPE YOU'RE HUNGRY, BECAUSE I'M GONNA MAKE YOU SWALLOW BOTH OF THOSE LOGOS!
THE ONLY THING YOU'RE GOING TO DO IS EAT MY DUST... STARDUST THAT IS... AS I HEAD THROUGH THE STARDUST SPEEDWAY ZONE! YOUR TWO LITTLE FRIENDS ARE WAITING FOR ME AT THE FINISH LINE!
I WONDER IF IT WOULD BE FASTER TO DOUBLE BACK AND... WHOOP! BAG THAT IDEA-- HERE COMES JELLYBELLY!
SONIC!
HELP!


THAT MAKES AN EASY DECISION EVEN EASIER! COMIN' AT YOU, BUCKETHEAD!
SNORT!
:snicker: MECHA SONIC HAS ENGAGED THE HEDGEHOG!
OH BOOHOO HOOO :sob: WAHHHH!!!!
WHAT'S WRONG, AMY ROSE?
:sniffle: I WAS HOPING SOMEDAY SONIC WOULD GET ENGAGED TO ME!
BACK IN KNOTHOLE:
IT SEEMS THAT SONIC HAS ENTERED ANOTHER ZONE... ITS ENERGY FIELD IS INTERFERING WITH HIS SONICAM!
TRY AND GET A FIX ON HIS LAST LOCATION -- IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!

AND IN THE STARDUST SPEEDWAY ZONE . . .

HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF I GET A *JUMP* ON YOU, METALHEAD!

BWOING!

SORRY...THIS IS A ONE-LANE EXIT RAMP...

COMING UP BEHIND YOU!

WHOOOF!

PASSING ON YOUR LEFT!

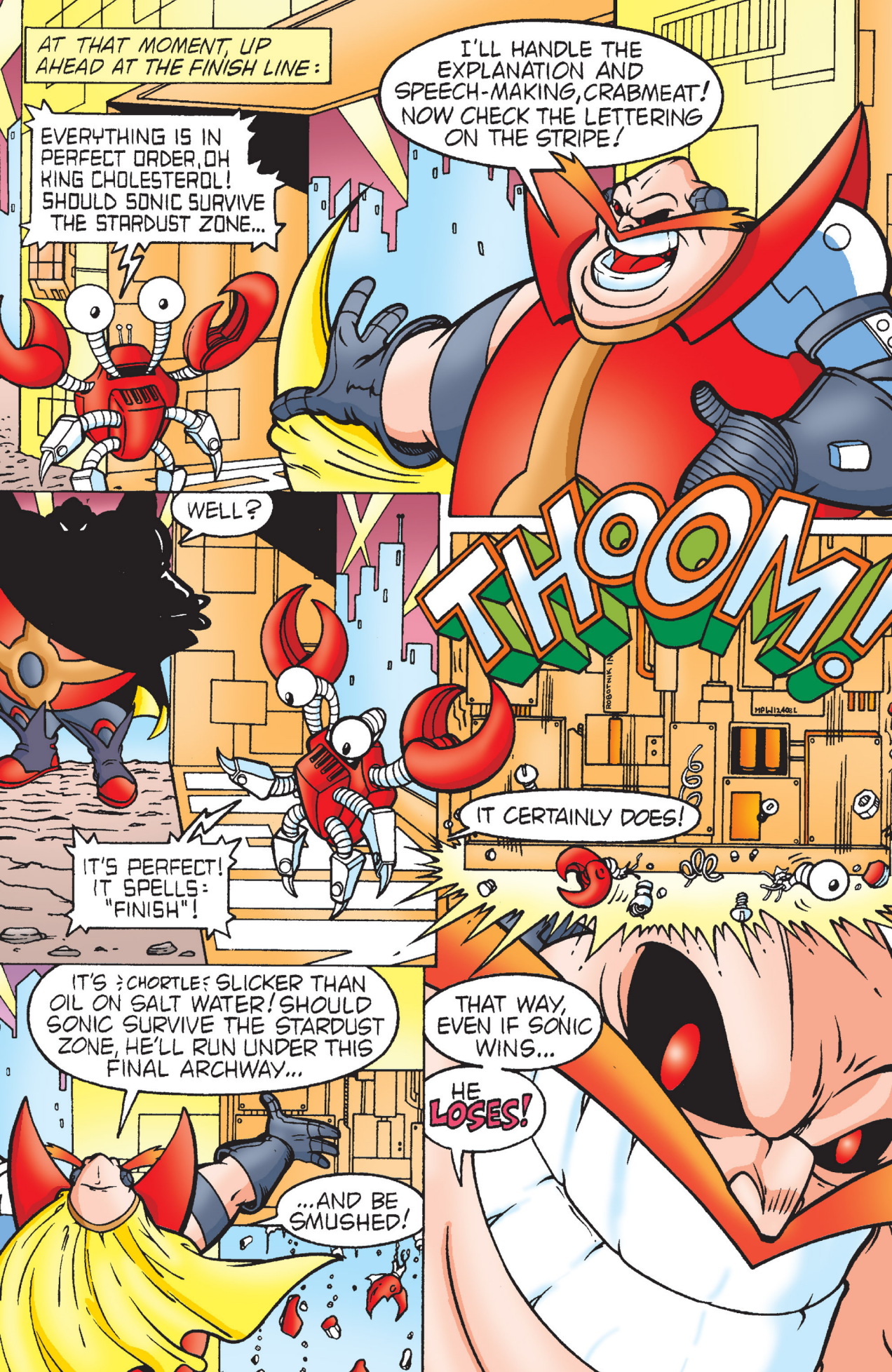
MOVING VIOLATION!

THUD!

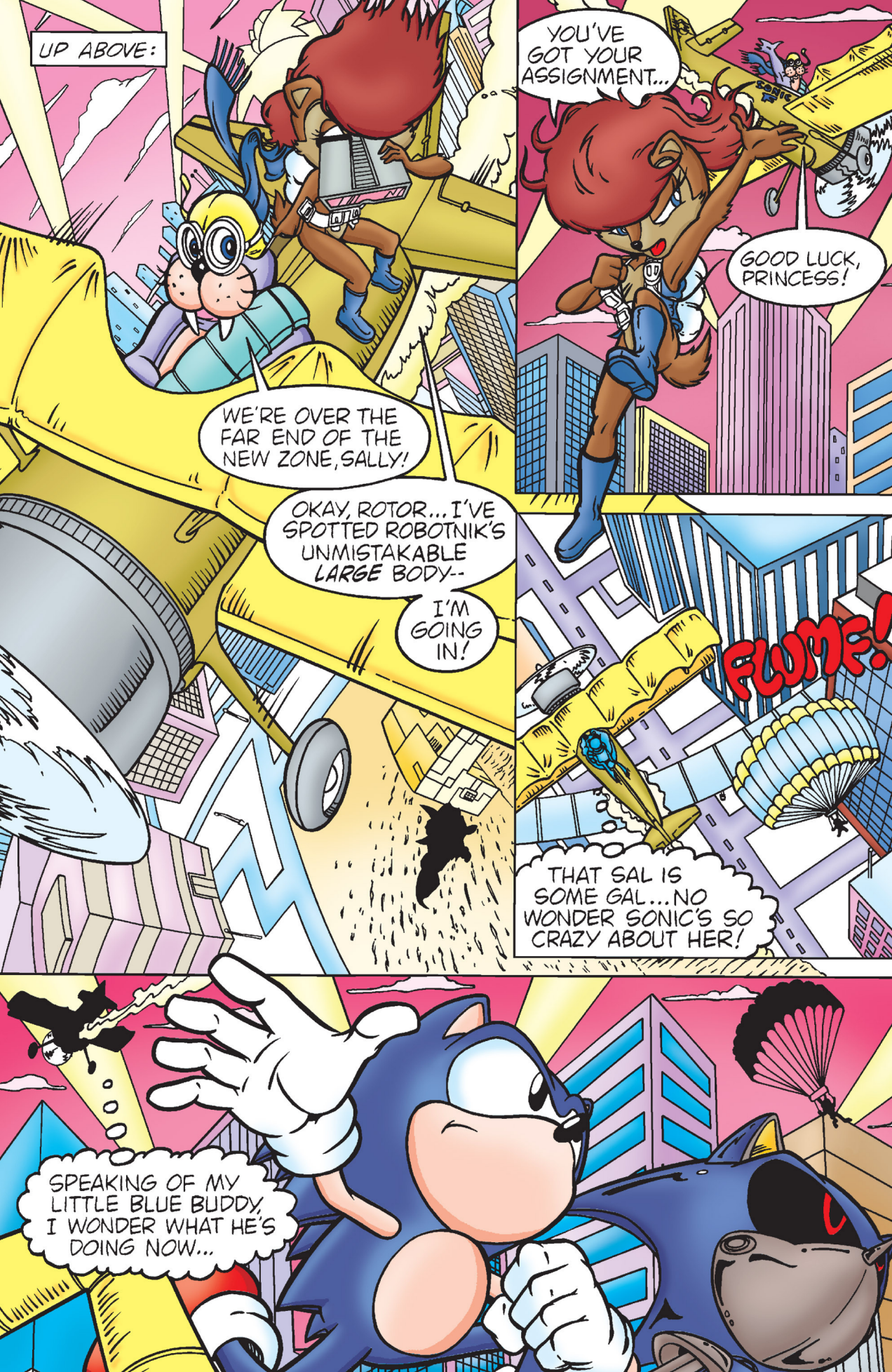
SCREEEEEE

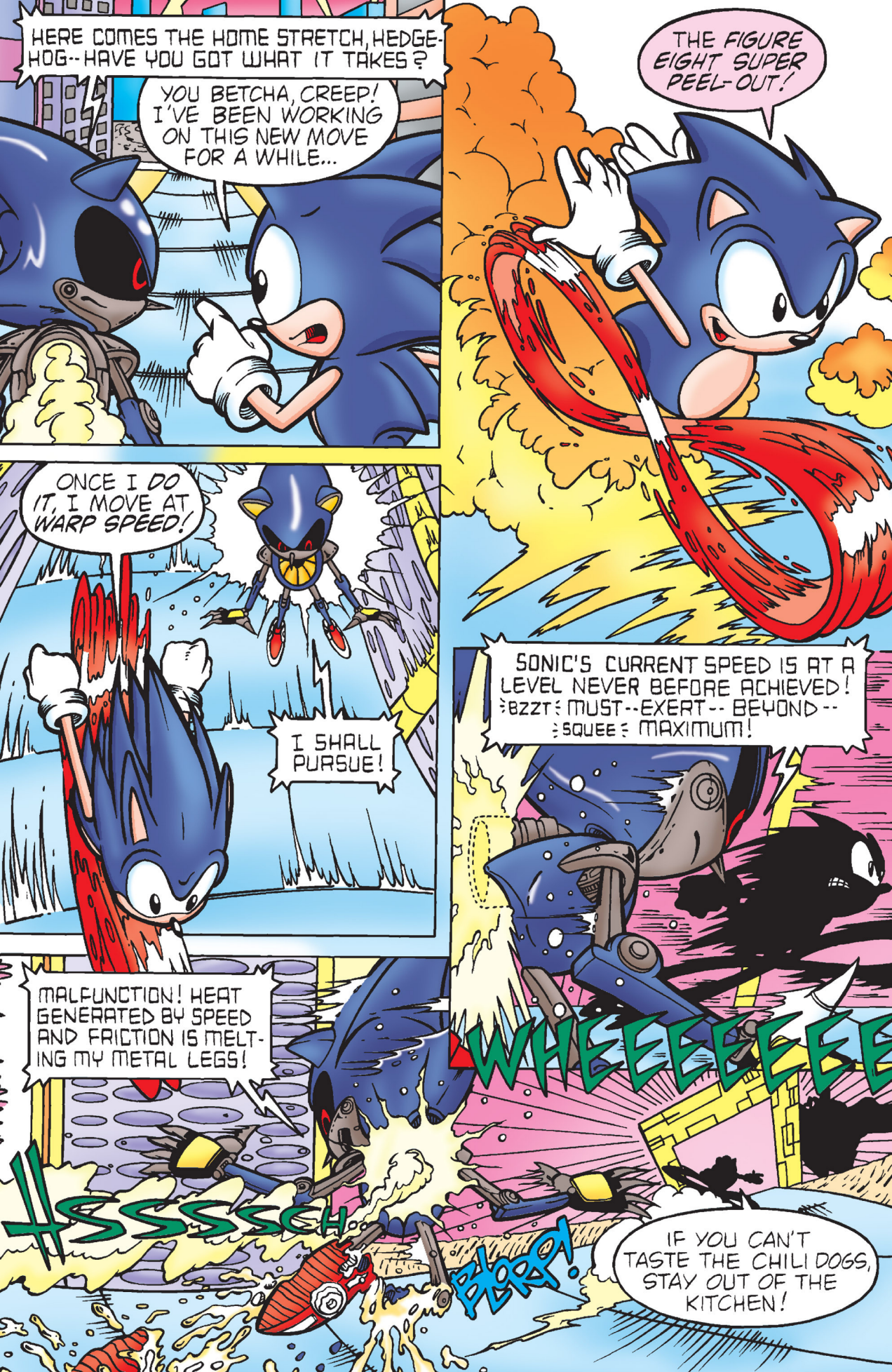
GET THE LEAD OUT, MECHA-MORON!

I CONTAIN NO LEAD--ONLY STEEL TITANIUM ALLOY...

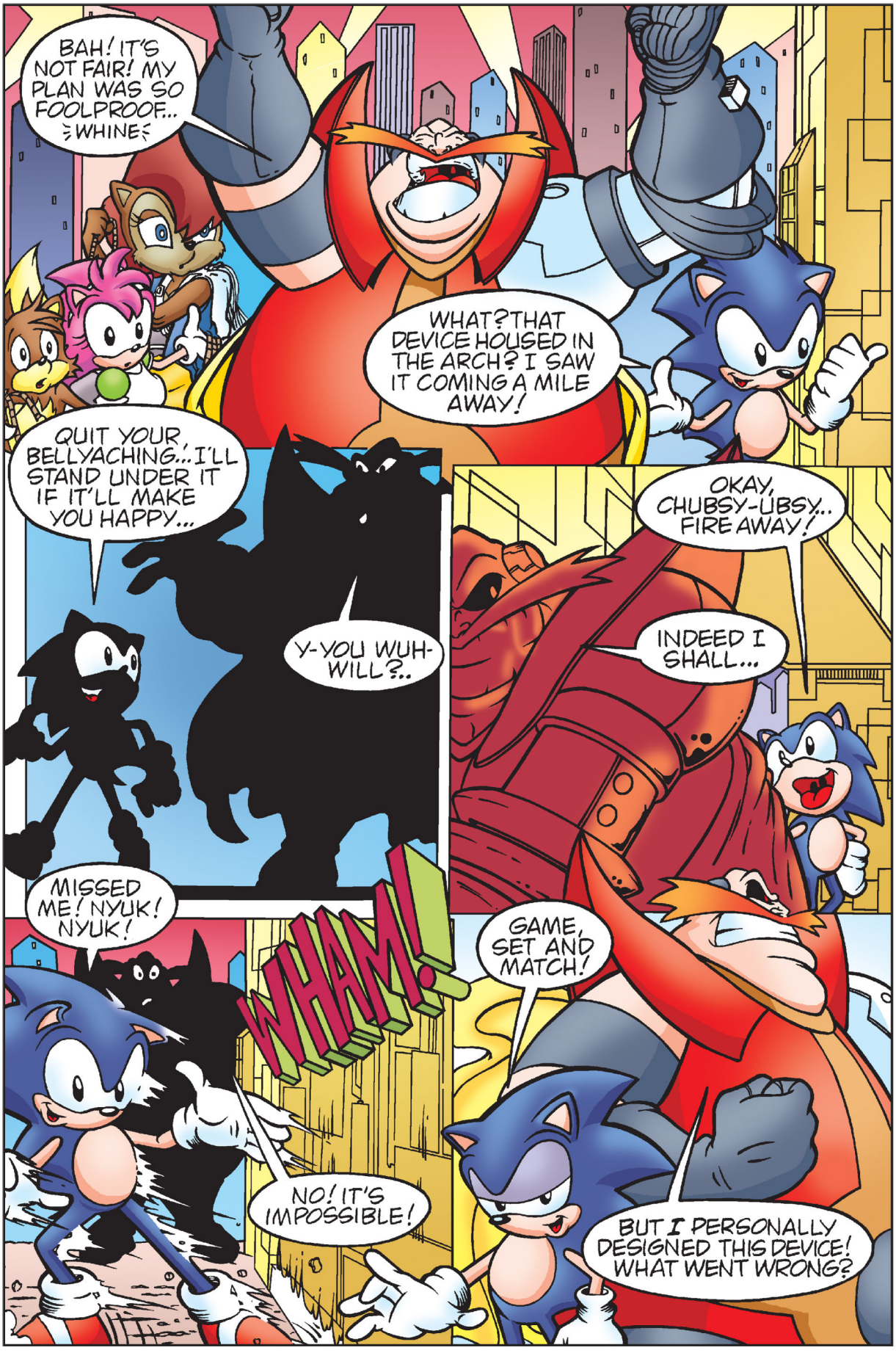

AT THAT MOMENT, UP AHEAD AT THE FINISH LINE:
EVERYTHING IS IN PERFECT ORDER, OH KING CHOLESTEROL! SHOULD SONIC SURVIVE THE STARDUST ZONE...
I'LL HANDLE THE EXPLANATION AND SPEECH-MAKING, CRABMEAT! NOW CHECK THE LETTERING ON THE STRIPE!
THOOM!
WELL?
IT'S PERFECT! IT SPELLS: "FINISH"!
IT CERTAINLY DOES!
IT'S :CHORTLE: SLICKER THAN OIL ON SALT WATER! SHOULD SONIC SURVIVE THE STARDUST ZONE, HE'LL RUN UNDER THIS FINAL ARCHWAY...
...AND BE SMUSHED!
THAT WAY, EVEN IF SONIC WINS...
HE LOSES!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™
"GO AHEAD... MECHA MY DAY!"
PART 4
GIVE IT UP! YOU MUST BE EXHAUSTED BY NOW!
NO WAY, SAN JOSE! NOTHING WILL SLOW ME DOWN!
OH NO? WHAT IF THE MECHA-SONIC YOU WERE JUST TALKING TO WAS A HOLOGRAM-- AND THE REAL ME WAS WAITING TO AMBUSH YOU?!
UMF!
THAT MIGHT DO IT!
TRIP!


UP ABOVE:
YOU'VE GOT YOUR ASSIGNMENT...
GOOD LUCK, PRINCESS!
WE'RE OVER THE FAR END OF THE NEW ZONE, SALLY!
OKAY, ROTOR... I'VE SPOTTED ROBOTNIK'S UNMISTAKABLE LARGE BODY--
I'M GOING IN!
FLUME!
THAT SAL IS SOME GAL... NO WONDER SONIC'S SO CRAZY ABOUT HER!
SPEAKING OF MY LITTLE BLUE BUDDY, I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING NOW...


HERE COMES THE HOME STRETCH, HEDGEHOG--HAVE YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES?
YOU BETCHA, CREEP! I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS NEW MOVE FOR A WHILE...
THE FIGURE EIGHT SUPER PEEL-OUT!
ONCE I DO IT, I MOVE AT WARP SPEED!
I SHALL PURSUE!
SONIC'S CURRENT SPEED IS AT A LEVEL NEVER BEFORE ACHIEVED! BZZT MUST--EXERT-- BEYOND-- SQUEE MAXIMUM!
MALFUNCTION! HEAT GENERATED BY SPEED AND FRICTION IS MELTING MY METAL LEGS!
WHEEEEEEE
HSSSSCH
BLORP!
IF YOU CAN'T TASTE THE CHILI DOGS, STAY OUT OF THE KITCHEN!

SURRENDER, SNIVELY!
OKAY, OKAY!
WHOP!
UMF! OH NO! SONIC WENT THROUGH THE ARCH--I MISSED MY CHANCE!
GET AWAY FROM THAT BUTTON, ROBOTNIK!
YES! THE CROWD GOES WILD!
MY HERO!
OUR HERO!


BAH! IT'S NOT FAIR! MY PLAN WAS SO FOOLPROOF... =WHINE=
WHAT? THAT DEVICE HOUSED IN THE ARCH? I SAW IT COMING A MILE AWAY!
QUIT YOUR BELLYACHING... I'LL STAND UNDER IT IF IT'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY...
Y-YOU WUH-WILL?..
OKAY, CHUBSY-UBSY.. FIRE AWAY!
INDEED I SHALL...
MISSED ME! NYUK! NYUK!
WHAM!
GAME, SET AND MATCH!
NO! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
BUT I PERSONALLY DESIGNED THIS DEVICE! WHAT WENT WRONG?

END

THANKS TO YOU WAY PAST COOL FANS,

SONIC UNIVERSE™

HAS REACHED 50 AWESOME ISSUES!

THANKS FOR KEEPING SONIC UNIVERSE GOING STRONG! THE BEST IS YET TO COME!

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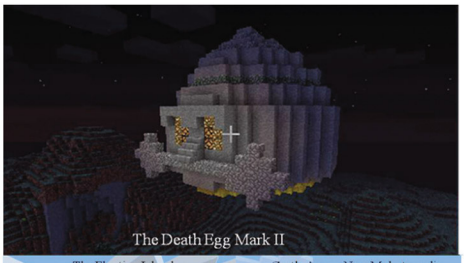

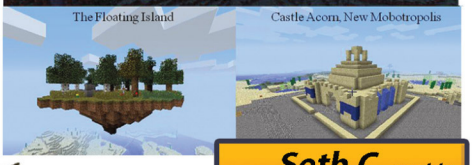

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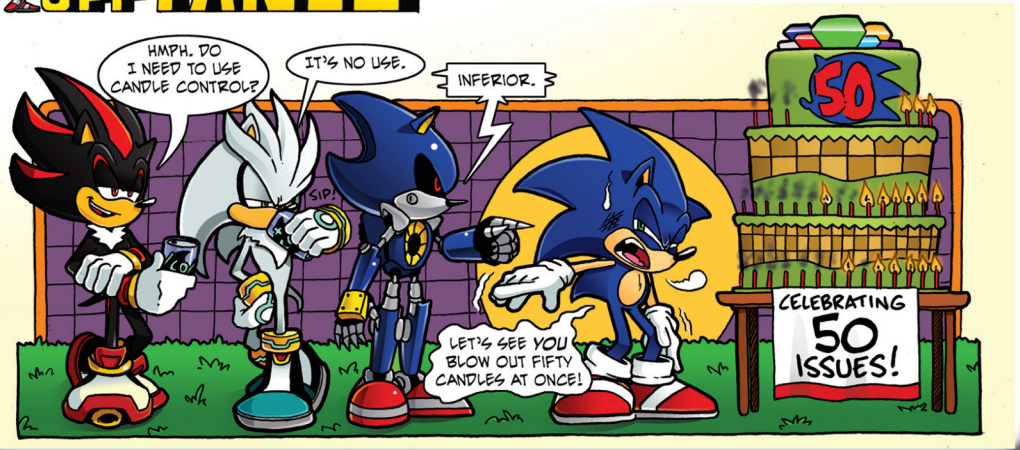

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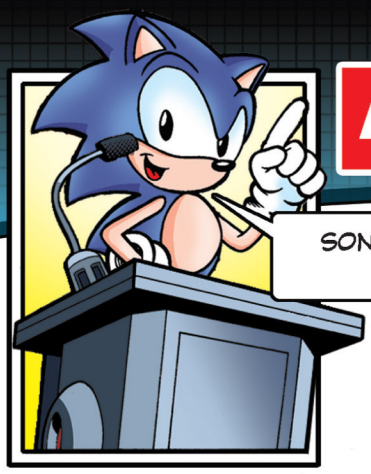

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SONIC HERE, WITH A PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE FINE FOLKS AT ARCHIE COMICS.

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So I'm calling upon all you awesome readers out there to be honorary members of the **Sonic Heroes Brigade!** The Sonic Heroes Brigade is charged with spreading the word about the **SONIC** and **MEGA MAN™: WORLDS COLLIDE** story! Tell your friends, tell your family, tell your mom, tell your dad, tell your dog, tell your cat, tell your teacher, tell your sandwich, tell your doctor, tell your goldfish, tell your classmates, tell your cousins – tell **ANYONE** that will listen, that this Sonic/Mega Man™ crossover event is gonna be **EPIC** and they should all join the fun!

Where can everyone read this amazing story?

- Your local comic store, starting on April 10th with part one in Mega Man™ #24!
- Other fine retailers like bookstores and super markets for the issues starting the week of April 16th!
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So, fellow Sonic Heroes-Brigadiers, please place your right hand on this comic book and repeat after me:

I, _____, do solemnly
(your name)
swear, to spread the word of the Sonic/Mega Man™ crossover, until everyone in the entire world knows of the awesomeness that is "Worlds Collide," or until Dr. Eggman and Dr. Wily take over the world with their dastardly schemes and outlaw reading.

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